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Jerry Zimmerman, Chair LCR MSCP Steering Committee Colorado River Board of California 770 Fairmont Avenue, Suite 100 Glendale, CA 91203-1035

Dear Chairman Zimmerman:

Ducks Unlimited, Inc. (DU) is a 501(c) 3 non-profit conservation organization. DU's mission is: "Ducks Unlimited conserves, restores, and manages wetlands and associated habitats for the North America's waterfowl. These habitats also benefit other wildlife and people."

As such, DU is very interested in participating on the Lower Colorado Multi-Species Conservation Program (LCR MSCP) Steering Committee. DU's mission is closely aligned with the LCR MSCP purpose listed in the Funding and Management Agreement (FMA), Section 2.A. which reads in part, "...conserve habitat and work toward the recovery of threatened and endangered species..." In addition, DU is already an active participant in the restoration of habitats on the Lower Colorado River, working with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service on several habitat conservation projects.

Therefore, DU requests to be considered as a member of the Steering Committee in the Conservation Participant Group. DU will abide by the terms of the FMA and agrees to review and comment on the draft Steering Committee bylaws and will thereafter abide with bylaws as approved. DU will make every attempt to regularly attend Steering Committee meetings.

I would serve as the point of contact for DU and look forward to hearing from you soon. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Director of Conservation Programs

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